

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Exchange of notes at Rio de Janeiro June 30, 1948

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The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL, *June 30, 1948*

No. 173

EXCELLENCY:

I have noted with pleasure that the Government of the United States of Brazil has signed today the protocol for the provisional application of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade dated October 30, 1947.²

In this connection I have the honor to refer to conversations between representatives of the Brazilian Government and the Government of the United States of America to the second session of the Preparatory Committee of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Employment, with respect to the effect of the entry into force of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade between the United States of America and the United States of Brazil upon the trade agreement between our two Governments concluded in 1935.

It is the understanding of the United States Government that it was then mutually agreed that the trade agreement between the United States of America and the United States of Brazil, signed February 2, 1935,³ except for those provisions of Art. XIV thereof providing for termination upon six months notice, the notes exchanged February 2, 1935,⁴ to accompany that agreement, and the supplementary agreement with accompanying exchange of notes signed April 17, 1935,⁵ shall be inoperative for such time as the United States of America and the United States of Brazil are both contracting parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade as defined in Art. XXXII of that agreement.

¹ Pursuant to notice of termination given by Brazil Dec. 18, 1957.

² TIAS 1700, *ante*, vol. 4, p. 687.

³ EAS 82, *ante*, p. 849.

⁴ EAS 82, *ante*, p. 857.

⁵ 49 Stat. 3834 or p. 30 of EAS 82.

I shall be pleased to receive your Excellency's confirmation of the understanding set forth above.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Chargé d'Affaires ad interim
DAVID MCK. KEY

His Excellency
Dr. RAUL FERNANDES
Minister for Foreign Affairs

*The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Chargé d'Affaires
ad interim*

[TRANSLATION]

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS

RIO DE JANEIRO
June 30, 1948

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MR. CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your note No. 173 dated today, in which you propose, in accordance with what was previously determined by the Governments of Brazil and the United States of America, that the trade agreement in effect between the two Governments, signed on February 2, 1935, be suspended, with the exception of the provisions of Article XIV thereof, in as much as both countries are contracting parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, as defined in Article XXXII of the said General Agreement.

2. In reply, I am to inform you that the Brazilian Government accepts the proposal under consideration and therefore assumes the obligations arising therefrom.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my very distinguished consideration.

RAUL FERNANDES

Mr. DAVID MCKENDREE KEY
Chargé d'Affaires of the United States of America